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(EXCERPT) WASHINGTON -- AN OFFICIAL OF THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY APPOINTED BY PRESIDENT KENNEDY TO CARRY OUT "SPECIAL" PLANS RELATED TO CUBA, IN COMMENTING ON THOSE WHO CLAMOR FOR DIRECT ACTION AGAINST THE SMALL CARIBBEAN ISLAND, STATED THAT "WE ARE FOLLOWING THE SAME PURPOSE. THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT THE OBJECTIVES ARE THE SAME AND THAT THE GOVERNMENT IS DETERMINED TO REACH ITS OBJECTIVE."

JOHN H. CRIMMINS, WHOSE SURNAME HAS BEEN USED TO CONCOCT SUCH BARBS AS "HIS PATRONYMIC IS TRUE TO HIS OCCUPATION" (A PLAY ON WORDS: THE NAME "CRIMMINS" SOUNDS LIKE THE SPANISH WORD FOR "CRIMES"--ED.), SAID DURING A TALK AT MIAMI UNIVERSITY: "THROUGH THE RELOCATION OF CUBAN REFUGEES WE CAN EXERT A GREATER INFLUENCE ON THE AMERICAN MIND THAN IF THE REFUGEES REMAIN CONCENTRATED IN THIS REGION." HE CONTINUED: "OBVIOUSLY THIS IS A NATIONAL PROBLEM WHICH HAS BEEN WELL RECOGNIZED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT."

CRIMMINS, A LIEUTENANT COLONEL, HAS BEEN WITH THE CIA SINCE 1946. AFTER BEING IN THE FOREIGN SERVICE--IN 1957 HE WAS FIRST SECRETARY OF THE EMBASSY IN RIO DE JANEIRO--HE WAS APPOINTED BY KENNEDY TO SERVE IN THE MIAMI OFFICE OF THE CUBAN AFFAIRS COORDINATING COMMITTEE, WHICH IS HEADED BY STERLING COTTRELL.

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